

Who Supports this Legislation?

AARP

American Academy of Pediatrics

American College of Physicians

American Medical Association

American Nurses Association

Catholic Health Association of the United States

Catholic Sisters

Centennial Medical Center

Consumers Union

Easter Seals

Federation of American Hospitals

Mayo Clinic

National Medical Association

Skyline Medical Center

Southern Hills Medical Center

Summit Medical

Tennessean

The Main
Street Alliance

United Methodist Church
- General Board of Church and Society

Vanderbilt University

VetsFirst

Vanderbilt University, MARCH 19, 2010 - "Vanderbilt University supports the comprehensive health care reform legislation pending before Congress. As one of the largest private employers in Tennessee and the home of one of the nation's leading academic medical centers, Vanderbilt cares deeply about the health and well being of its patients, employees, students and fellow citizens. The mission of our academic medical center is to advance health and wellness for all people through preeminent programs in patient care, education and research. We believe that health care reform is urgently needed and that this legislation will enhance health security, improve the public health care infrastructure, and reduce the impact of uncompensated care on healthcare providers such as Vanderbilt."

The Tennessean, March 21, 2010 - "And while the bill that is snarled in political debate on Capitol Hill is far from perfect, it will first and foremost give most of this group of Americans a fighting chance. However, it should be delayed no longer. Because of the complexity of the reforms, it will be 2014 before many of the major provisions kick in. That means we who do have insurance must live with the reality that for the next few years, there will be people in our community — relatives, friends, former co-workers, fellow churchgoers, total strangers — dying for the callous reason that no one cared enough to help them. As the shouting reaches a crescendo today, take a little time to put yourself in their place. It might bring the cost of doing nothing home to you."

American Medical Association, MARCH 19, 2010 - "The pending bill is imperfect, but we cannot let the perfect be the enemy of the good when it comes to something as important as the health of Americans. By extending health coverage to the vast majority of the uninsured, improving competition and choice in the insurance marketplace, promoting prevention and wellness, reducing administrative burdens, and promoting clinical comparative effectiveness research, this bill will help patients and their physicians."

American Nurses Association, MARCH 16, 2010 - "On behalf of the American Nurses Association (ANA), the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 2.9 million Registered Nurses, I am writing to urge you to vote yes on health care reform. While we recognize that no legislation is perfect, the vote before you represents a rare chance to effect change that will positively impact people's lives. This legislation will enact very real and much-needed insurance reforms, it will place a new focus on wellness and prevention, improving access to primary care and expanding coverage to over 30 million people."

AARP, MARCH 19, 2010 - "After a thorough analysis of the reform package, we believe this legislation brings us so much closer to helping millions of older Americans get quality, affordable health care. For too long, our members and others have faced spiraling prescription drug costs, discriminatory practices by insurance companies and a Medicare system awash in fraud, waste and abuse."

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